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Layer D:

5 μm

Layer E:

30 µm

In the Abstract:

At page 13, lines 2-7, please amend the abstract to read as follows:

-- A paper-like multilayer barrier film comprises a filled polypropylene layer and several unfilled layers. The filled layer contains 40-75% by wt. of inorganic fillers, forms one of the two outside layers of the film, and has a thickness of at least 40 μm. The unfilled layers include a barrier layer, a sealing layer, and optionally at least one adhesive layer. The ratio of the total thickness of the unfilled layers to the thickness of the filled layer is in the range of 1:8 to 1:1.2. –

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims showing the amendments is attached hereto.

-- 1. (Twice amended) A multilayer barrier film comprising a filled layer based on polypropylene and a plurality of unfilled layers, wherein the filled layer is filled with 40-75 weight %, based on the total weight of the filled layer, of an inorganic filler, forms one of the two surface layers of the film, and has a thickness of 40 μm to 400 μm, the unfilled layers comprising at least a barrier layer and a sealing layer and optionally at least one adhesive layer, and the ratio of the total thickness of the unfilled layers to the thickness of the filled layer being from 1:8 to 1:1.2. –

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are presently pending in the application.

Several paragraphs of the specification and the Abstract have been amended to correct minor typographical errors which were noted during review of the application. It is submitted that all of these changes are obvious from the context or are supported elsewhere in the application. Accordingly, no new matter has been added, and entry of the amendments is respectfully solicited.